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Enforcement Action

Eric Hetrick

The Board for Geologists and Geophysicists (Board) issued a Citation and Fine of \$2,500 on September 22, 2005 to Mr. Eric Hetrick for violation of sections 7832 and 7872(a) (unlicensed practice of geology) of the Business and Professions Code.

Mr. Eric Hetrick signed a report entitled "Quarterly Summary Report - Fourth Quarter 2004", dated February 25, 2005, which was subsequently submitted to the Solano County Department of Environmental Health. The aforementioned report, for a site located at 2269 Tennessee Street, Vallejo, California, shows that he conducted analyses and made interpretations, conclusions and recommendations constituting professional geologic practice in the State of California.

Board records show that Mr. Eric Hetrick has not held registration as a Professional Geologist or Professional Engineer on or about the time of the letter report submittal to the County of Solano Department of Environmental Health. Therefore, at all times relevant Mr. Eric Hetrick was not licensed to practice geology or offer to practice geology for others in the State of California.

Mr. Hetrick violated Business and Professions Code section 7832 and 7872(a) when he engaged in the practice of geology, interpreted the site geology, interpreted geologic datum, and made recommendations based on geologic interpretations. These violations constitute grounds for disciplinary action under Business and Professions Code section 7832 and 7872(a) (unlicensed practice of geology).

In accordance with section 125.9(d) of the Business and Professions Code payment of fine does not constitute admission of the violation charged and represents satisfactory resolution of the matter. Mr. Hetrick agreed to pay the fine and the case was closed on October 17, 2005.